

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

I. Status of Claims

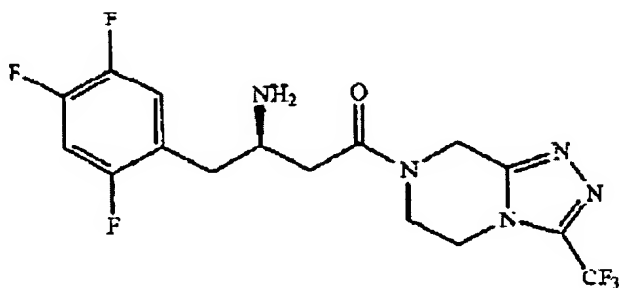
Claims 5 and 8-15 were pending and under active consideration in the subject application. With this submission, claims 13-15 have been amended. No claims have been canceled. Hence, upon entry of this paper, claims 5 and 8-15 will remain pending and under active consideration.

These changes are believed to introduce no new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application in view of the comments that follow.

II. The Species Election and Applicant's Provisional Election

The Examiner alleges that the application is directed to more than one species of the generic invention. As such, the Examiner alleges that the species lack unity of invention because they are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1.

In response, Applicant hereby provisionally elects the species of claim 15. Specifically, Applicant elects the species represented by the formula:



Applicants note that upon allowance of any linking claims, the restriction requirement as to the linked inventions shall be withdrawn and any claims depending from or otherwise

requiring all of the limitations of the allowable linking claims will be rejoined and fully examined for patentability in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.104.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check or credit card payment form being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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